Public Health Improvement Partnership
Public Health Information Technology Committee
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Staff: Marie Flake, DOH

Time	Topic	Description
9:00	Welcome & Introductions	Ed Dzedzy & Frank Westrum
Objective 1: Coordinate IT planning statewide to establish clear minimum technology requirements and security requirements so that public health can provide rapid and secure information transfer and compatible technology. ▪ Min. req. for technology for a LHJ, including hardware and software. ▪ Min. req. for IT security. ▪ Min. req. for distance learning. ▪ Consultation and training to help people acquire needed skills to adopt min. technology req.		
Objective 2: Develop data standards for selected areas. ▪ Clear data standards for some selected areas of public health, laying groundwork for continued development of data standards in years to come.		
Objective 3: Share results of IT survey and use survey results to guide training and consultation opportunities.		
9:10	Project Updates	WEDSS Electronic Death Registration – Teresa Jennings
10:00	Technology for LHJs	LHJ Technical Assistance (formerly Doug Keck's work) – Tim Boorman Sat Phones or Sat Radios? CDC direction – Frank Westrum/Tim Boorman IT Survey – Frank Westrum. Do the right people know about it? Does it have the info they need?
10:15	WaSECURES	Tim Boorman – Min technology standards to support SECURES
10:30	WEDSS Strategic Plan	Frank Westrum Major issues and direction of the program
11:00	Discussion – minimum requirements for technology, IT security and distance learning	What is the future? How do we get there? What would the process look like? Policy issues for PHIP Steering Committee? Recommendations for 2004 PHIP Report?
12:00	Working Lunch Technology Show & Tell	Focus on tablets, portable printers, satellite phone. Future meetings – consider arranging vendor demos? (i.e. GIS, Security)

1:00	IT Summit Subcommittee Report & Discussion	Subcommittee members
Objective 4: Provide updated information on health indicators to local communities through VISTA in order to support health assessment capacity.		
▪ Continued support to LHJs seeking assistance with VISTA. ▪ Updated data provided on the web. ▪ Limited improvements in VISTA capability; sub-county data. ▪ Training on VISTA use.		
2:00	Vista Update	Status of the Vista Coordinator position; Budget; Sub-county population estimates; EpiQMS – Teresa Jennings
2:30	PHIT: New objectives and recomendations	Preparation for presentations by co-chairs to PHIP meeting in June. - Frank and Ed
3:30	Adjourn	

PHIT Communication Tools: http://www.doh.wa.gov/pip/InfoTech/default.htm
2004 Meeting Dates: January 28, April 28, July 28, October 27
Routine Meeting Date/Time: Quarterly – 1st Month of the Quarter; 4th Wednesday of the Month.
Routine Meeting Place: Wyndham Hotel, SeaTac, WA